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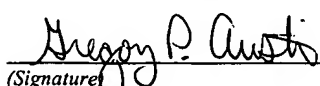
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Communication mailed December 2, 2003, reconsideration of application in view of the following remarks respectfully is requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, March 1, 2004 , in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
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